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READS IT.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

TOPEKA, KANSAS, JULY 7, 1909.

Unprecedented Fall in Topeka

South Topeka.

LIGHTNING'S PRANKS.

Street Cars and Telephone Lines Put Out of Commission.

Kansas River Rises Six Feet During Night.

Santa Fe and Union Pacific Trains Tied Up.

After bending the record for hot nights and sweltering days, the moisture record was badly broken. During the 16 hours preceding 9 o'clock this morning five and nine-tenths inches (practically six inches) of rain fell in Topeka and vicinity. In all the records of the local weather bureau, there is not even a 24 hour stretch wherein the same amount of water fell. Therefore, the precipitation right was bro

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Last year there was an agitation among the people on Seventeenth street to have the Santa Fe enlarge the channel of the stream at the bridge, but nothing was done in this direction. The Missouri Pacific tracks were flooded with water this morning.

Police Patrol on Duty.

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In the flooded resident districts, the water reached the greatest depth between Eighteenth and Nineteenth streets on Van Buren street about 8 o'clock this morning. Upon awakening sarly this morning to find their floors becoming pools of water rapidly filling through the doorways, the residents hurriedly prepared to leave for higher ground and the police were notified of the danger in that quarter. The police patrol was sent immediately to the scene of greatest danger manned by Driver Leach and Detectives Wonderly and Hutton.

After three express wagons in turn had been hired to go in and get the people and had dared /not take the risk, the officers learned of the situation. Three negro families were removed from their positions on top of their piles of furniture in their houses in the block of greatest depth of water. Mrs. Freeman of 1814 was the first to be rescued as her daughter had stood on the corner of Kansas

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New York, July 7.—Pitcher Andy Coakley, formerly of the Chicago Cubs, has beecome manager of the Manhattan baseball club, a strong semi-professional team in this city. He will do the pitching and Tom Doran, the former catcher of the Boston American League club, will be the backstop.

DEAD WOMAN HIS WIFE.

The Husband Identifies the Body and Commits Suicide.

Louisville, Ky., July 7.—Responding to a notice that the body of his wife, who it is believed committed suicide two or three days ago, bad been taken from the Ohio river, Walter J. Hon-aker, member of a prominent firm of retail shoe dealers, viewed the body at an undertaking establishment here today and affer identifying it, committed suicide.

LIGHT SHOWERS PREDICTED.

State of the River Is 16 Feet This

The forecast for tonight is unset-Shunganunga Floods Houses in



Former Cub Pitcher With Semi-Pro Team-Doran Catching.

Retold by Ella Gingles on the Witness Stand.

She Breaks Down and Weeps During Its Recital.

EXHIBITS THE SCARS

From the Wounds Received on That Occasion.

Declares She Does Not Know Tom Taggart.

Chicago, July 7 .- The sensational Wellington hotel bath room incident was reached in the trial of Elia Gingles in Judge Brentano's court here today. For the time being Assistant State's Attorney Short's examination of the young Irish lace maker, accused of the theft of lace from her erstwhile employer, Miss Agnes Barrette, was suspended and the direct examination by her attorney, P. H. O'Donnell was resumed. Mr. O'Donnell, it was announced by Judge Brentano will be allowed to question Miss Gingles in the freest manner to bring out the story of her life, to allow the prosecution to cross examine the young defendant. Scores of women and even school girls were

"She grabbed me and said: 'Cut

"And did she cut you?"
"Yes, on the left arm."

"How many wounds did you have when you got to the hospital?" "Twenty-three."

She Showed the Scars. Miss Gingles then showed the jury the scars on her arms and one on her head just above the right eye and then resumed her testimony. "What did they do with your cor-

set cover?"
"They took it and wiped the blood

"Did you ever recover it?"
"No, sir, and they also kept my

Miss Gingles then told of additional mistreatment by her alleged assail-

'Did the woman leave first?"

"How about the man?"
"He climbed over the transom," replied the girl sobbing violently."

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"The man."
"Where did Miss Barrette cut

"Who cut you beside Miss Bar-

Senator Bristow Will Make One More Stand

Sugar Schedule.

BEATEN BY 5 VOTES

Paper Restored

ley Law.

Washington, July 7 .- When Senator

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provisions was then entered upon. The gelatine paragraph was taken up and notwithstanding it had been re-served, it was agreed to without opserved, it was agreed to without op-sition. Little more difficulty was en-countered in getting through the provision relating to tiles, which had been reserved by Mr. Burton. The Ohio senator merely stated that he preferred the house provision to the senate amendment and let it go at

For Amendment of the Senate's that.

When the gypsum provision was reached, Mr. Dick made quite a stir, contending for the house rate as opposed to the senate's. Responding to Mr. Dick's efforts, Senator Aldrich protested in sharp terms against efforts at this stage of the bill to in-crease duties.

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"We can not now," he said, "undertake to increase the rates to meet the views of individual senators."

"If," he added, "we should enter upon that course, we might as well abandon the bill."

Mr. Dick was not pleased with this turn of affairs, and he entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which the paragraph was adopted. He was successful.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

"Where did Miss Barrette cut you?"

"On the wrist to make me release my hold on the gran and on my knees."

"How about the man?"

"He cut me too when I would not agree to his proposals."

Just before the noon adjournment miss Gingles said in answer to questions that she did not know Tom Taggart of French Lick Springs.

"Did Taggart ever write a letter to you?"

"No sir."

"IEFF DAVIS EXPLAINS.

Washington, July 7.—When Senator did not care to reserve for further amendment, there was a widespread movement to reserve parts of the bill against which senators desire to make a last stand for a change in the schedules, It was a to put crude asphalt on the free list, but after considerable parlianted that on adoption of a mendment, on agree on any paragraph not specifically reserved at this time would still be open for amendments not affecting paragraphs agreed to.

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WESTON REACHES RENO.

Will Cross Sierras Through Southern Pacific Pass.

Reno, Nev., July 7.—Edward Pay-son Weston, the aged pedestrian, ar-rived in Reno at 2:05 this morning, going immediately to bed. He was greated by a crowd of newspaper men and late stayers. Weston has not decided whether he will leave Reno at 10 a. m. or late in the afternoon. He says he is not weary, but counts on a recetion.

reaction.

The pedestrian will cross the Sierras through a pass selected for him by the Southern Pacific, thus cutting out the snow sheds which he has dreaded.

Likelihood of a Special Session Is Increasing.

National and State Bankers Are Far Apart.

QUESTION OF INTEREST

Only One That Is Causing the Trouble.

Governor Ready to Act If Agreement Isn't Reached.

Unless there is some decided change in the sentiment of the naal bankers there will be a special session of the legislature called for this month. There has been a lot of speculation lately about this matter and different reports circulated regarding the governor's intentions, but the proposition has now narrowed down to a point where the wise ones are looking for a special session in the

natural course of events. Up to this time there has been a possibility, even a probability, that if such and such a thing turned out in such and such a way there would be a special session. Now the proposi-

The old controversy between the university and the normal school as to whether the latter is able to fit men and women for teaching came up again in the meeting of the normal department. Samuel E. Harwood, superintendent of the training school in the Illinois Normal school. Carbondale, Ill. took up the defense of normal training with the assertion that training and observation will give to a prospective teacher the necessary foundation for a teacher's education. C. B. Robertson of the New York Normal school, Cortiand. N. Y., also spoke on this side of the question. The departments of music, school administration and home economics were also in session.

WAS NO ELECTION.

Colorado Springs's First Vote Under New Charter.

STAKE RACES FILLED.

One Hundred Sixty Entries for the Eight Events.

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R. T. Kreipe, secretary of the State Fair association, announced today that all the stake races for the 1909 race meet, to be held September 13-15, had been filled. There are eight stake races on the program, and Kreipe has closed 160 entries for the leight events. It is the largest entry list ever secured for a like event, and insures an excellent showing of fast horses.

New Charter.

Colorado Springs, Colo., July 7.—An unusually light vote was cast yesterday in the first city election under united and gave their candidate, H. F. Avery, a vote of 2,122 with W. H. Spurgeon, Republicans and Chiasons' Charter candidates, second place, with 1,482 votes. The Republicans had which accounts for the low vote of its leading candidates for the low vote of its leading candidates for commissioners received the necessary 51 per cent of votes for election. A second election will be leight highest men in race for commissioners will be candidates.